

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT
Appln. No.: 10/617,818

REMARKS

In the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated January 18, 2005, the Amendment filed on October 4, 2004 was considered non-complaint because the text of cancelled claim 2 was not deleted in the Amendment. Applicants herewith resubmit the Amendment to the Claims, with the text of cancelled claim 2 deleted.

Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the re-submitted "Amendments to the Claims" fully complies with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, and Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's consideration of the Amendment.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.


Respectfully submitted,

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